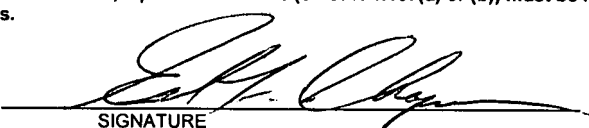


TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		CUSTOMER NO. 22,852 ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER: 07040.0272
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/IT04/00160		U.S. APPLICATION NO. if known, see 37 CFR 1.5(10/593,148)
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 31, 2004		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING TYRES FOR VEHICLE WHEELS		
APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US 1) Claudio LACAGNINA 2) Luigi BRAGHIERI		
Applicants herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C 371. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A Substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of cover page of International Publication No. b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy of Notification of Defective Response c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Response to Notification of Defective Response d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy of receipt card date stamped by OIPE on June 19, 2007 e. <input type="checkbox"/> f. <input type="checkbox"/> g. <input type="checkbox"/> 		

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The following fees have been submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO Use Only
21. <input type="checkbox"/> BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)):\$300.00				\$	
22. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37CFR 1.492(c))				\$	
If the Written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)\$0				\$	
All other situations.....\$200					
23. <input type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b))				\$	
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Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....\$100					
International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB.....\$400					
All other situations.....\$500					
TOTAL of 21, 22 and 23 =					
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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Total Claims	- 20 =		x \$50.00	\$	
Independent Claims	-3 =		x \$200.00	\$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+\$360.00	\$	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.				\$	
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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ 000.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.				\$	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$000.00	
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<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <u>\$00.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>06-0916</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <p>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.</p> <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</p> <p>Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, L.L.P. 901 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20001-4413</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  SIGNATURE </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Ernest F. Chapman, Reg. No. 25,961 NAME/REGISTRATION NUMBER </div> <p>DATED: October 3, 2007</p>					

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response dated September 17, 2007, enclosed is a copy of the the Declaration and Power of attorney identifying the international application number and international filing date.


Applicants filed the Declaration and Power of attorney on June 19, 2007, as evidence by the enclosed copy of the receipt card date stamped by OIPE on June 19, 2007. The surcharge of \$130.00 was also paid on June 19, 2007, as evidenced by the copy of the date-stamped postcard.

In view of the fact that applicants timely filed the declaration on June 19, 2007, it is respectfully submitted that no extension of time fees are required at this time. However, if there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
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Dated: October 3, 2007

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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495)

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/18/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/18/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/18/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/18/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/19/2007
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/18/2006
- Assignment filed on 06/19/2007
- Specification filed on 09/18/2006
- Claims filed on 09/18/2006
- Abstracts filed on 09/18/2006
- Drawings filed on 09/18/2006

Applicant's response filed 06/19/2007 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 05/18/2007 have not been completed.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - Declaration not submitted with June 19, 2007

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of **ONE MONTH** from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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1. Transmittal Letter concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. (Duplicate)
2. Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements.
3. Declaration of the inventor(s).
4. Check for \$130.00

Date: June 19, 2007

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